

2016-2017 Global Education Speaker Series

JOIN US for the 2016-2017 Global Education Calendar and Speakers Series: **Revisiting our Roots: Promoting Intercultural Understanding**. Since our inception, we have chosen themes that illuminate our global and ethnic cultures. On this, our 15th anniversary year, we are choosing to revisit our roots and the themes of our programs over the years. We hope you'll join us in attending, listening and considering what you can do to promote intercultural understanding as a global citizen.

In September, we'll begin our 15th year by revisiting our original Study Circle that led to the creation of the Global Education and Peace Network and form circles to discuss what we've accomplished and also consider how we could do better in the future. In October, we will consider how we can continue to speak up against discrimination and violence in Bystander Training offered by Winkie Mitchell with Project Woman. In November, we will revisit the Global Table with a feast of gratitude as we share recipes and cooking secrets across cultures. In December, we will revisit celebrations by having a party celebrating many holidays of the month including Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, and Christmas.

In January, Samina Ahmed and Jagdish Singh will lead us in "Global Spiritual Traditions Revisited: Building Respect," as we don head coverings and consider our similarities and differences in our spiritual traditions. In February, the Wittenberg University Diversity Task Force will present on a program on their challenges and successes as they work to build a diverse, caring college community. In March, Corey Holliday and friends will lead us in a book discussion of the *New Jim Crow*, exploring community response possibilities. In April, we'll visit the Springfield Museum of Art to learn from Michelle Stitzlein about her "Industrial Nature" exhibit, featuring recycled materials. In May, Springfield City Schools students will present their project based learning Global Education project. We'll conclude the year with a presentation by Samina Ahmed on her Muslim faith tradition.

During the summer months, we'll also head out into the community for a variety of experiences with the earth. For June and July, we'll head down to the Summer Arts Festival for cultural offerings, enjoying the outdoor amphitheater of Veterans Park. In August, we invite you to a Global Pecha Kucha event with the Westcott House. Come join us to learn, grow and consider your role as we work together how to continue to build bridges of understanding across cultures during our 15th year..

Since 2001, the Global Education and Peace Network has provided a forum for intercultural understanding. The network includes people from many different cultural traditions, and so our presenters are not representing the network's views, but rather their own personal and cultural views. Our goal is to create an environment of respect where we can learn from each other and build bridges of understanding. Many times the viewpoints we hear differ from our own cultural and religious viewpoints, and yet we try to understand, to learn and to extend the hand of friendship. In such a diverse world, we believe it is very important to be able to disagree with each other and still be friends.



The Center for Civic and Urban Engagement at Wittenberg is pleased to work with the Global Education and Peace Network in the education, entertainment and enlightenment of Springfield residents. We invite everyone to join us at Wittenberg each month for the Global Education Series events and hope that you will discover more about different cultures and heritage.



Revisiting our Roots: Promoting Intercultural Understanding

- Tuesday, September 6, 2016 - 6:30 p.m. Shouplin Center, Room 105, Wittenberg University
Revisiting our Roots: Study Circles, Then and ...Now?
Global Education and Peace Network members
- Tuesday, October 4, 2016 - 6:30 p.m. Shouplin Center, Room 105, Wittenberg University
Speaking Up, Speaking Out: Bystander Training
Winkie Mitchell and PAVE
- Tuesday, November 15, 2016 - 6:30 p.m. Shouplin Center, Room 105, Wittenberg University
The Global Table Revisited: Dining and Giving Thanks
Global Education members and friends
- Tuesday, December 6, 2016 - 6:30 p.m. Shouplin Center, Room 105, Wittenberg University
Global Celebrations Revisited: Let's Party!
Friends from many cultures sharing holiday traditions, food, music and dance
- Tuesday, January 3, 2017 - 6:30 p.m. Shouplin Center, Room 105, Wittenberg University
Global Spiritual Traditions Revisited: Building Respect
Jagdish Singh and Samina Ahmed
- Tuesday, February 7, 2017 - 6:30 p.m. Shouplin Center, Room 105, Wittenberg University
Wittenberg University: Fostering Diversity in Community
The Wittenberg University Diversity Advisory Council
- Tuesday, March 7, 2017, 6:30 p.m. Shouplin Center, Room 105, Wittenberg University
The New Jim Crow
Corey Holliday and friends
- Tuesday, April 4, 2017 - 6:30 p.m. at the Springfield Museum of Art, 107 Cliff Road Drive.
Industrial Nature: Gallery Talk with Artist Michelle Stitzlein
Springfield Museum of Art, 107 Cliff Park Road.
- Tuesday, May 2, 2017 - 6:30 p.m. Shouplin Center, Room 105, Wittenberg University
Project Based Learning Report on Global Education Project
Springfield City Schools Students
- Tuesday, June 6, 2017 - 6:30 p.m. Shouplin Center, Room 105, Wittenberg University
The Real Islam: A Religion of Peace
Samina Ahmed

During the rest of the summer, we won't be having programs at Wittenberg, but encourage you to get out in the community and enjoy many cultures!

June/July – Visit the Summer Arts Festival at Veterans Park Amphitheater. To be arranged. Details at: www.springfieldartscouncil.org or call (937) 324-2712.

August -- Attend Global Pecha Kucha, a public speaking event sponsored by the Westcott House. Location to be arranged. Details at: www.westcotthouse.org or call (937) 327-9291.